(c) Yes. High School buildings at Wadi Bhankur, and Kalagi have been completed up to lintel level. The amount spent so far is as follows.

| | | Rs. |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | Government High School, Wadi | 46,766 |
| 2. | Government, High School, Kalagi. | 50,843 |
| 3. | Government High School, Bankoor. | 53,236 |

Other buildings will be taken up subject to availability of funds.

**Local candidates in various Department.**

50 (74) SRI M. Y. Patil (Afzalpur) Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state.—

(a) what is the number of Local Candidates in various Departments ;

(b) what is the policy of the Government to absorb them ;

(c) how many Local Candidates have been appointed by the ecruitment Committee ;

(d) when the Government is going to absorb the remaining candidates ?

SRI R. GUNDU RAO (Chief Minister).—

(a) About 13,292.

(b) Orders/special rules for regularisation of services of local candidates appointed during different periods were issued by the Government from time to time during 1960, 1961, 1966, 1970 and 1973. In the year 1977, Government issued special Rules entitled the Karnataka State Civil Services (Direct Recruitment of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Tribes to Class III Posts) (Special) Rules, 1977 which provided for regular appointment of local candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes and Backward Tribes but they did not cover persons belonging to other categories working as local candidates before the said Rules came into force.

The validity of the said Rules was questioned in the High Court through Writ Petitions filed by local candidates not belonging to Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Backward Tribes and who were appointed during the period from 1-4-1972 to 23-5-1973. The High Court has struck down the Rules. The State has filed an appeal

petition in the Supreme Court against the judgement of the High Court. The decision of the Supreme Court is awaited.

(*c*) About 4611.

(*d*) Does not arise in view of what has been stated in reply to clause (b) above.

## Number of autonomous Boards and Corporations Constituted in the State during the last 3 years.

79 (28) SRI C. M. ARMUGAM (K.G.F.).—Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the number of autonomous Boards and Corporations constituted by the Government of Karnataka during the last three years ;

(*b*) whether such Boards or Corporations have framed cadre and recruitment rules as applicable to their staff ;

(*c*) whether provision has been made for adequate representation for SC/STs and Muslims in these Boards and Corporations, and if so, the number of such persons recruited in various categories of posts for the last three years ?

SRI R. GUNDU RAO (Chief Minister).—

(*a*) 19.

(*b*) Cadre and Recruitment Rules in respect of these Boards/Corporations are under consideration and they are at various stages of progress. Provision for adequate representation for persons belonging to SC./STs and Muslims will be made in the C & R Rules.

(*c*) The staff working in these Boards/Corporations are mostly on deputation drawn from Government departments and some are appointed purely on temporary basis through Employment Ex hange. Due representation as per the policy of Government will be given to persons belonging to SC./STs. and Muslims when these posts are to be regularly filled up.

## Agricultural lands which are in possession of the heirs of Maharaja of Mysore.

80 (62) SRI H. GANGADHARAN (Krishnaraja) Will the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state.—

(*a*) what is the ex ent of cultivable land in possession of the legal heirs of the Maharaja of Mysore at present ;